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To the Supervisors of Schools.

Ladies & Gentlemen:

The enclosed stories were prepared in response to a request made to Mr. Francisco Gaztambide, Supervisor of Schools, Arecibo. The material used in these stories has been carefully selected and tested to conform with the needs of the pupils. They have proven to be of great benefit in helping to master the vocabulary of the first and second grades.

Great care should be exerted to teach the children to phrase correctly as well as to pronounce distinctly. Pictures to illustrate the stories should be secured by each teacher. This will add interest and at the same time help the children to understand what they read.

These exercises may take the place of the Morin's Phonetic Reader now in use or they may be used as supplementary exercises and teaching devices. Used in this way they cannot fail to exert a beneficial influence.

The attention of the supervisors is invited to prepare similar exercises using the vocabulary given in the Course of Study Rural Schools for grades first and second, and also any additional vocabulary that may be found suitable for the third grade. Please send copies of the exercises prepared by you.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JUAN B. HUYKE,
Commissioner of Education.

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